(1) all pension plan participants should receive adequate, accurate, and timely notice of any change to a plan that will cause participants to earn less retirement income in the future:

(2) pension plans that are changed to a cash balance or other hybrid formula should not be permitted to "wear away" participants' benefits in such a manner that older and longer service participants earn no additional pension benefits for a period of time after the change; and

(3) Federal law should continue to prohibit pension plan participants from being discriminated against on the basis of age in the provision of pension benefits.

#### NOTICES OF HEARINGS

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

Mr. JEFFORDS. Mr. President, I would like to announce for information of the Senate and the public that a hearing of the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, Subcommittee on Children and Families, will be held on Tuesday, April 11, 2000, 9:30 A.M., in SD-430 of the Senate Dirksen Building. The subject of the hearing is "Early Childhood Programs for Low Income Families: Availability and Impact". For further information, please call the committee, 202/224-5375.

COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I wish to announce that the Committee on Rules and Administration will meet at 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, April 12, 2000, in Room SR-301 Russell Senate Office Building, to receive testimony on compelled political speech.

For further information concerning this meeting, please contact Hunter Bates at the Rules Committee on 4–6352.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

Mr. JEFFORDS. Mr. President, I would like to announce for information of the Senate and the public that an Executive Session of the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions will be held on Wednesday, April 12, 2000, 11:00 a.m., in SD-430 of the Senate Dirksen Building. The following is the committee's agenda.

#### AGENDA

S. 2311. The Rvan White CARE Act.

S., Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network Act Amendments of 2000.

Presidential Nominations

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

Mr. JEFFORDS. Mr. President, I would like to announce for information of the Senate and the public that a hearing of the Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions will be held on Thursday, April 13, 2000, 10:00 a.m., in SD-430 of the Senate Dirksen Building. The subject of the hearing is Protecting Pension Assets. For further information, please call the committee, 202/224-5375.

## $\begin{array}{c} \text{COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL} \\ \text{RESOURCES} \end{array}$

Mr. CRAIG. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the public that a

hearing has been scheduled before the Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management of the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

The hearing will take place on Thursday, April 13, 2000, at 2:30 p.m. in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, DC.

The purpose of this hearing is to conduct oversight on the United States Forest Service's proposed revisions to the regulations governing National Forest Planning. This hearing will be in lieu of the previously scheduled hearing for S. 2034, a bill to establish the Canyons of the Ancients National Conservation Area.

Those who wish to submit written statements should write to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, U.S. Senate, Washington, DC 20510. For further information, please call Mark Rey or Bill Eby at (202) 224–6170.

# AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, April 6, 2000. The purpose of this meeting will be to discuss interstate shipment of State inspected meat.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

### COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, April 6, 2000 at 9:30 a.m., in open session to receive testimony on procedures and standards for the granting of security clearances at the Department of Defense.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

### COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, April 6, 2000, for hearings on China's Accession to the World Trade Organization.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Mr. CAMPBELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 12, 2000, at 9:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing on the Report of the National Academy of Public Administration titled "A Study of Management and Administration: The Bureau of Indian Affairs." The hearing will be held in the Committee room, 485 Russell Senate Building. A business meeting to mark up pending legisla-

tion will precede the hearing. Those wishing additional information may contact the Committee at 202/224–2251.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, if is so ordered.

#### SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, April 6, 2000 at 2:15 p.m. to hold a closed hearing on intelligence matters.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### SUBCOMMITTEE ON AVIATION

Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Aviation Subcommittee of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet on Thursday, April 6, 2000 at 9:30 a.m. for a closed briefing on aviation security and at 10 a.m. hearing on aviation security.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## SUBCOMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE OVERSIGHT

Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Criminal Justice Oversight be authorized to meet on Thursday, April 6, 2000 at 2:30 p.m., in SD226.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC POLICY, EXPORT AND TRADE PROMOTION AND SUBCOMMITTEE ON EAST ASIAN AND PACIFIC AFFAIRS

Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on International Economic Policy, Export and Trade Promotion and Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, April 6, 2000 at 10:00 a.m. to hold a joint hearing.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON FORESTS AND PUBLIC LANDS Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Forests and Public Lands of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, April 6, 2000 at 9:30 a.m. to conduct an oversight hearing. The subcommittee will receive testimony on the proposed five-year strategic plan of the U.S. Forest Service in compliance with the Government Results and Performance Act.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

### PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, on behalf of Senator McCain, I ask unanimous consent that his legislative fellow, Navy Commander Douglas Denneny, be granted floor privileges during consideration of S. Con. Res. 101.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.